

compassionate professionals at CSESC include instruction in Assistive Technology, Early Childhood Services, Vocational Services, Professional Development, Family Services and Consultation/Assessment Services.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Cuyahoga Special Education Service Center. This exemplary organization has uplifted the lives of thousands of children—from toddlers to young adults, who reflect courage, grace, brilliance and tenacity despite their personal challenges. The level of commitment from the staff at CSESC is equaled only to that of these children and their families—a commitment to hope, to dream, to believe, to achieve—to make a positive difference within our corner of the world and beyond.

A VISION FOR GENERATIONS

HON. HOWARD L. BERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2004

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to three generations of the Abelson/Lasker families and Dr. Emil and Mrs. Erika Jacoby. All of these remarkable people will be honored at a special Adat Ari El dinner on May 16, 2004, appropriately themed, "A Vision for Generations."

Irv and Marcia Abelson, their children, and now their grandchildren have assumed key leadership positions and worked hard to build, support and improve Adat Ari El and the Jewish community. They have also provided critical support for a myriad of Jewish institutions both in Los Angeles and around the world, including Camp Ramah, the University of Judaism (UJ), the New Community Jewish High School, L.A. Hebrew High School, Heschel Day School, the Jewish Theological Seminary, the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, the Masorti Foundation for Conservative Judaism in Israel and the Bureau of Jewish Education.

Both Marcia and Irv have proven to be an indispensable part of the Adat Ari El community in so many ways. In addition to serving as Adat Ari El's Sisterhood President, Marcia worked with members of the Torah Fund for the Jewish Theological Seminary and the UJ.

Their daughter Jill was the second woman to ever become President of Adat Ari El. She was Vice President and Chairperson at the University of Judaism and served on various UJ committees for many years. Her husband, Marty Lasker, blows shofar—not an easy task—every year for the High Holy Days. He serves on several important Boards for organizations such as the New Community Jewish High School, Hebrew High School and Adat Ari El. My family and I are proud to call ourselves neighbors and friends of Jill and Marty.

The Laskers' children, Zachary and Jodi, continue in their parents' and grandparents' tradition of involvement and service. Zachary starred in several United Synagogue Youth (USY) plays and was President of the USY Chapter while in high school. Jodi worked at the Temple and was a USY Director during high school. Zachary has a masters degree in education from the UJ and Jodi holds an MBA and masters degree in education from the Uni-

versity. Both Zachary and Jodi have worked at Camp Ramah in California for many years in a variety of leadership positions. Currently Zachary is the assistant director for the camp and Jodi teaches at the Heschel Middle School in Northridge.

The Humanitarian Award recipients, Emil and Erika Jacoby, have also made invaluable contributions to Adat Ari El and are role models for all of us. Dr. Emil Jacoby worked in the Underground during WWII to help save Jews in Nazi-occupied countries. After the war he helped relocate displaced Jews to Israel. For many years he headed the Temple's religious school and served as Head of the Bureau of Jewish Education. He has a doctorate in education from the Jewish Theological Seminary, and was director of education for 16 years at Camp Ramah during the summer months and was also an adjunct professor at the Teachers Institute at the UJ.

Erika Jacoby taught in Adat Ari El's nursery school and served on many synagogue committees. She chaired the Holocaust Remembrance Committee which resulted in the dedication of a Holocaust Memorial Pillar. Erika also gives generously of her time and energy to speak with school children about her experience as a Holocaust survivor.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my distinguished colleagues to join me in saluting these incredibly accomplished and impressive people who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to Adat Ari El and a longtime commitment to public service.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LINCOLN DAVIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2004

Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 154, on agreeing to H. Res. 622—Supporting the goals and ideals of Peace Officers Memorial Day, I was present on the House floor but failed to vote. Had I voted, I would have voted "yes."

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF BROWN V. BOARD OF EDUCATION

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2004

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, on May 17, 2004, the Library of Congress will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court's landmark decision, *Brown v. Board of Education*. This celebration will include an exhibit as well as a panel discussion on school integration. In conjunction with this celebration the Library's Leadership Development Program class of 2003–2004 sponsored a poster contest in the District of Columbia Public Schools. Children in three grade categories, grades 3–4, 5–6, and 7–8, were asked to submit posters which expressed the theme, "How has the case changed our schools?" The three winners of the poster contest are: Maria Oliva, age 9, Shepherd Elementary School, Teacher: Dee Dee Chambliss; Canaisha Vaughn, age 11, Hamilton Center, Teacher: Leslie Milofsky;

and Nathan Johnson, age 13, Kramer Middle School, Teacher: Mary Jackson.

Congratulations to these three winners and to all students who participated in celebrating the 50th anniversary of *Brown v. Board of Education*.

CONGRATULATING MR. ROBERT J. ANADELL ON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 12, 2004

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure and honor that I congratulate Mr. Robert J. Anadell on his retirement from the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 697. Bob has spent nearly 40 years dedicating his life to the interests of Local 697 as well as his community in Northwest Indiana. His career at Local 697 has allowed him the opportunity to touch the lives of numerous people. In honor of his gracious service to Local 697 as well as his community, there will be a celebration of his accomplishments on June 4, 2004, at the Avalon Manor Banquet Hall in Merrillville, Indiana.

Bob Anadell has accomplished many visionary goals throughout his career. Before joining Local 697 as a Journeyman Electrician in 1972, Bob admirably served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War until his Honorable discharge in 1968. After becoming a Journeyman Electrician, Bob faithfully served Local 697 on the Apprenticeship Committee and Executive Board. He served as President of Local 697 from 1985–1991 and again in 1993, and he also served as the Business Manager/Financial Secretary from 1966–2004.

Not only has Bob Anadell had many positive accomplishments throughout his career at Local 697, he has also actively contributed to his community through participation in various programs aimed at improving opportunities for the people of Northwest Indiana. He has been a powerful member of the Northwest Indiana Building Trades, Secretary Treasurer of the IBEW State Conference, Vice-President of the Indiana State AFL–CIO, Trustee of the Lake Area United Way, Board of Directors of Trade Winds, Member of the Lake County Integrated Services Delivery Board, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Investment Committee, and Executive Committee of the Legacy Foundation, as well as Co-Chairman of the Heroes Committee of the American Red Cross.

Northwest Indiana has a rich history of excellence in its craftsmanship and loyalty by its tradesmen. Bob Anadell is an outstanding example of the quintessential tradesman. He has mastered his trade and has consistently performed at the highest level throughout his career. Bob has demonstrated his loyalty by his outstanding service to Local 697 and his community through his hard work and self-sacrifice.

Mr. Speaker, Bob Anadell has given his time and efforts selflessly to the people of Northwest Indiana throughout his years of service. He has taught every member of Local 697 and his community the true meaning of service to all members of the Northwest Indiana community. I respectfully ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in